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## **Automated Sales Suppression**

Skimming cash sales – a very old tax fraud

- Double tills
- Phantomware
- Zappers
- Next generation

### What do you lose?

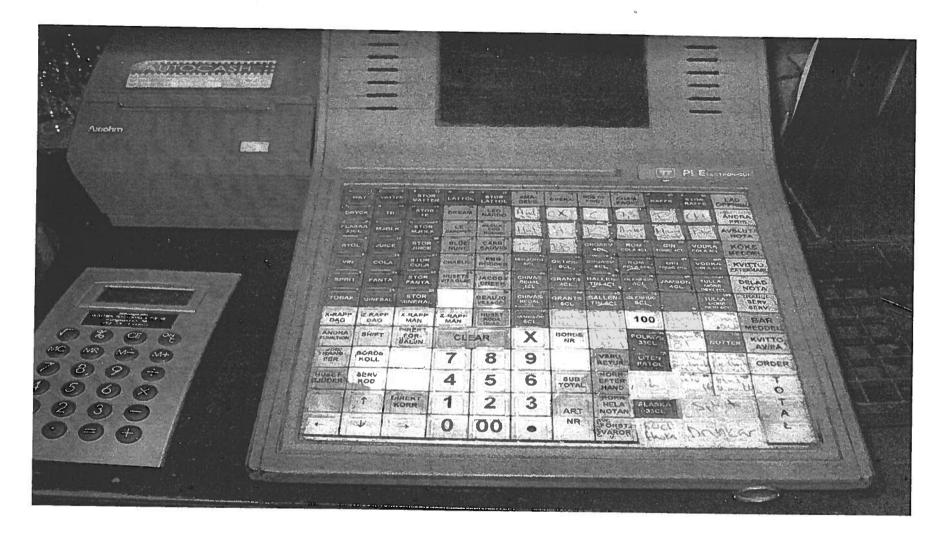
- Sales tax
- Business Income tax
- Personal Income tax
- Wage taxes
- ..... And more .....

## Where are you losing it?

- Restaurants
- Convenience stores
- Entertainment venues
- Anyplace with high volume cash transactions

# Who is the "bad guy?"

- Choose one:
  - (1) ECR/POS maker
  - (2) Business owner
  - (3) Installer
- You need to know this when you draft the law



#### TT PI Electronique – cash register

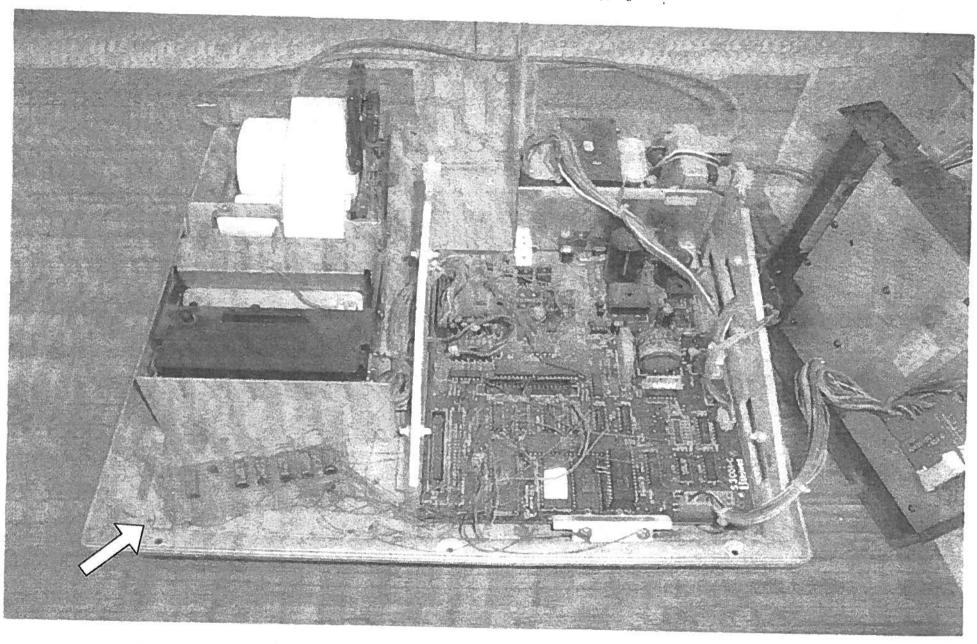
Manufactured in Paris (since 1983)

Popular in Italy, Belgium, Portugal, Spain, Germany, Denmark, Australia, USA and North Africa.

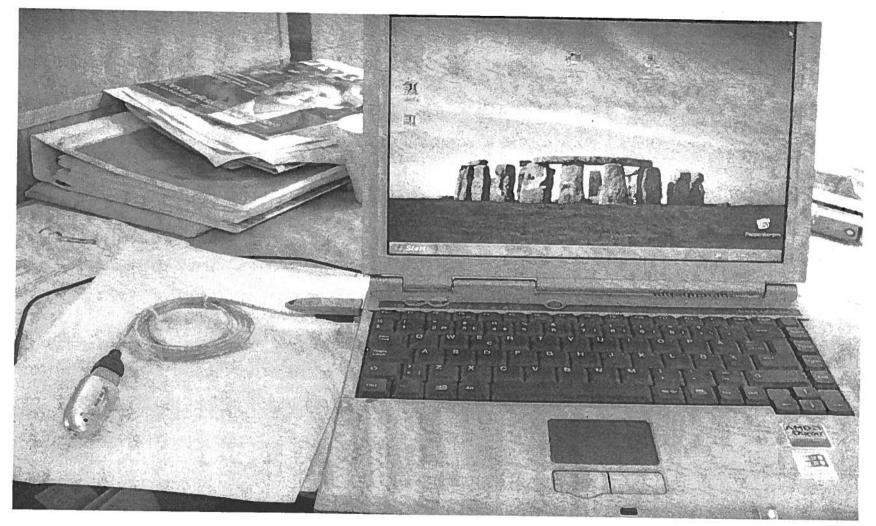
Uses "Restodata" back-office program

Cash register is connected to a PC (in the back office)

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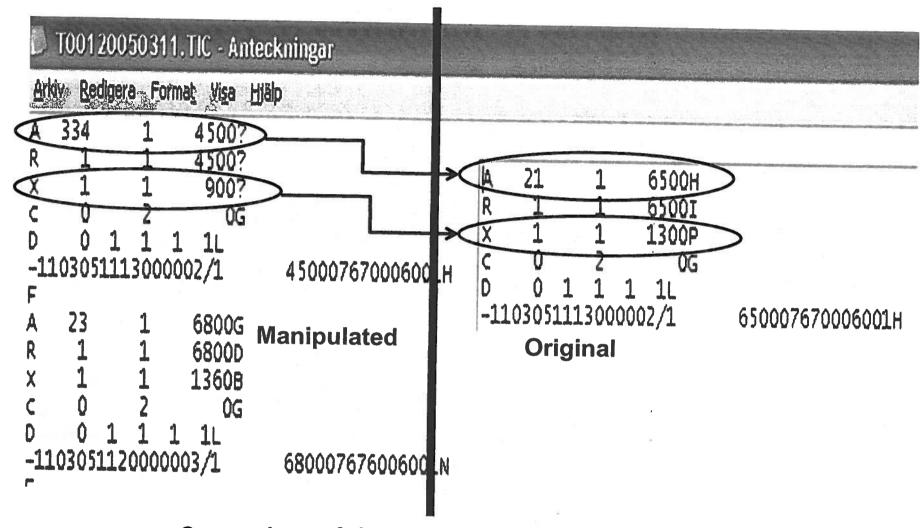


**Back-Office PC** 

Notice the "dongle" (grey memory stick) protecting proprietary program

Notice the silver memory stick – this is the "zapper"

Restodata is programmed to automatically download all information about all transactions from all cash registers every morning at (for example) 5:00 am



### Comparison of the TIC-files – Manipulated & Original

Notice the "?" in the Manipulated version in contrast with the letters "H", "I" & "P" in the original version. This one of the tell-tale signs of manipulation in this particular program. It may indicate that the system has not been correctly updated since the manipulation procedure.

### How to read more?

Google ----- "Ainsworth + Zapper"

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